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DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

To-day's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Ralph L. Hall, south seining.
Sch. Nourmahal, south seining.
Sch. Avalon, south seining.
Sch. Dauntless, south seining.
Sch. Sylvia M. Nunan, via Boston, 9000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Kineo, returned.
Sch. Quickstep, Bay of Fundy, 90,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. M. H. Perkins, pollocking.
Sch. Charles A. Dyer, netting.
Sch. Arthur James, seining, Cape Shore.
Sch. Arthur Binney, seining, Cape Shore.
Sch. Edna Wallace Hopper, seining, Cape Shore.
Sch. Grayling, seining, Cape Shore.
Sch. J. W. Bradley, seining, Cape Shore.
Sch. Margie Smith, seining, Cape Shore.
Sch. Lucinda I. Lowell, seining, Cape Shore.
Sch. Sea Fox, haddocking.

Today's Fish Market.

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Fresh fish, large cod, \$2.12 1-2; medium cod, \$1.62 1-2; all cod caught to the eastward of LaHave bank, \$1.87 1-2; medium \$1.50 cusk, \$1.62 1-2; haddock, \$1.00; hake, 85 cts.; pollock, 70c; snapper codfish, 60 cts.; snapper cusk, 60 cts.

Rips cod, \$4.50 per cwt. for large, \$3.75 for medium and \$2.25 for snappers.

Fresh halibut, 7 cts. per lb. for white and 5 cts. per lb. for gray.

Fresh mackerel, 15 1-2 cents each.

Salt southern caught mackerel, \$15 per bbl

Boston.

Sch. William A. Morse, 12,000 haddock, 12,000 cod.

Sch. Nellie G. Adams, 10,000 haddock, 9000 cod.

Haddock \$4 to \$4.50, large cod \$2.50 to \$2.60, market cod \$2 to \$2.50.

Mackerel Notes.

Sch. Jennie B. Hodgdon will fit for Cape Shore seining under command of Capt. Joseph Cass.

Sch. Edna Wallace Hopper was towed down from Boston this forenoon to fit for a seining trip to the Cape Shore.

The fare of salt mackerel of sch. Lucinda I. Lowell sold to Fred Bradley at \$15 per barrel, an advance of \$3 per barrel over last sales.

Sch. Diana, Capt. James McLean, arrived from south, seining, this forenoon to fit for the Cape Shore.

Sch. Priscilla Smith landed 1000 fresh mackerel at Newport yesterday and then took ice and sailed direct for the Cape Shore.

A large number of the seining fleet which have been delayed here by the bad weather will sail for the Cape Shore today.

Schs. Ralph L. Hall, Avalon, Nourmahal and Dauntless arrived here during the night to fit for the Cape Shore.

Monster Sea Turtle.

A monster sea turtle weighing over 700 pounds has just been caught in a net belonging to a Baltimore, Md., fisherman. The shell measured six feet from tip to tip and the flippers were three feet in length. The net into which the big fellow wandered was a total wreck.

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CAPE SHORE SEINERS.

Will Be More Numerous Than Last Season.

FLEET MAY NUMBER 60 SAIL.

Last Year's Fleet of 27 Sail Landed 8820 Barrels.

As May 20 comes along each year the cry of the mackerel seining fleet is "off to the Cape Shore." This year the Cape Shore fleet bids fair to be the largest for many years.

The mackerel fleet at the present time numbers 70 sail, which is considerably more than were engaged in this branch of the fisheries at this time last season.

Last year, quite a number of the fleet did not go to the Cape Shore, but stayed out south where the prospect was good and where big fares were taken, the Cape Shore fleet in consequence was not large and but 27 trips were brought from there last season.

This year the outlook to the southward is not considered so good and in consequence of this and the fact that the fleet is larger, the number of vessels which will go to the Cape Shore will be largely in excess of last season. It is estimated that the fleet which will go to the eastward to meet the mackerel when they come on the Cape Shore will number about 55 or 60 sail, which will be the largest to go there for several years.

The Cape Shore fleet, as far as can be learned, will comprise the following vessels;

Schs. Smuggler, Annie Greenlaw, Norumbega, Grayling, Harvard, Kentucky, Norma,

Marguerite Haskins, Corsair, Lucania, Lena and Maud, Claudia, Mary E. Harty, Faustina, Patrician, Victor, Speculator, Veda M. McKown, Constellation, S. F. Maker, Electric Flash, Lucinda I. Lowell, Arthur James, A. M. Nicholson, Helen G. Wells, Miranda, Bertha and Pearl, Arcadia, Diana, Vera, Golden-Rod, Braganza, Avalon, Monitor, Hattie M. Graham, Jennie B. Hodgdon, Margie Smith, Mary F. Curtis, John S. Presson, Hattie A. Heckman, Slade Gorton, Ralph L. Hall, George Parker, Agnes E. Downs, Pinta, Lottie G. Merchant, Priscilla Smith, Lizzie M. Stanley, Ralph Russell, Dauntless, Nourmahal, all of this port, and schs. Edna Wallace Hopper, Arthur Binney, Emma W. Brown, Mattakesett, Nellie Dixon and Shenandoah of Boston, Maud S., of Portland Natalie B. Nickerson of Boothbay Harbor.

The vessels which, so far as known, will remain out south and cruise for schools in the vicinity of No Man's Land and Block Island and out toward the South Shoal Lightship are schs. Ramona, Leander F. Gould, Frank Butler, Saladin, Mary P. Mosquita, Thomas J. Carroll, James and Esther, Manomet, Rebecca and Seconnet.

Last year the first fish on the Cape Shore were taken May 25 and the first arrival from there was the schooner Constellation of this port, Capt. Thaddeus Morgan, which arrived at Boston on the morning of June 4 with a monster fare of fresh and salt mackerel. Sch. Diana, Capt. James McLean, arrived here on the same forenoon at 10.30 o'clock with another big fare of about 600 barrels of salt and fresh mackerel.

The first fares of salt Cape Shore mackerel sold at \$9 per barrel. From this figure they declined to \$8.75 per barrel and then advanced again quickly and the last fares of the season sold at \$10 per barrel.

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Last year the Cape Shore fleet numbered just 27 sail and they landed 8820 barrels of salt mackerel, which was considered a big catch for so small a fleet. In 1903 the fleet was much larger and landed however but 9267 barrels.

Threw Away Halibut.

A Newfoundland schooner arrived at Louisburg, C. B., last Tuesday morning with a large amount of halibut. The captain of the vessel reports halibut very plentiful, the crew having to cut them off the trawls. The vessel is fitting for a codfishing trip, and consequently has no room for the halibut. Another Newfoundland schooner was here Saturday and disposed of 70 halibut for 21-2 cents a pound.—Sidney Record.

Herring Plentiful at Bay Chaleur.

During the last 30 years herring have not been as plentiful in Bay Chaleur. One farmer at Black Point, Restigouche Co., landed 60 barrels from one net on Monday morning.

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STRUCK IT RICH.

Netters at Fulton Market Today with Big Fares.

Sch. Actor Arrives There with Five Thousand Mackerel.

There are several netters at Fulton Market with very fine trips this morning showing that this large fleet of little craft has struck the fish and if there is any body to the fish good fares may be expected almost daily. The netters there this morning are as follows:

Sch. F. W. Homans, 2300 fresh mackerel.

Sch. Manomet, 4000 fresh mackerel.

Sch. Actor, 5000 fresh mackerel.

Sch. Ocean Belle, 500 fresh mackerel.

Sch. Motor, 2700 fresh mackerel.

Steamer Princess, 2000 fresh mackerel.

Sch. T. M. Eaton, 1200 fresh mackerel.

The fish are selling at 20 cents apiece.

Word comes from some of the skippers of these boats that there are some medium fish among their fares. This is the most encouraging news in regard to mackerel that has been heard this spring, as it gives a chance for the hope that medium mackerel may be coming on, which is what everybody connected with the mackerel business is praying for. These skippers also report that there is a big body of fish off New York now. They saw fine schools and no seiners there.

This report is in line with that brought by one of the quartermasters of the fruit steamer Admiral Dewey, which arrived at Boston a few days ago. This man, who has been a fisherman, states that on the run up, when between Cape Henry and Five Fathom Lightship, they passed through a very large body of mackerel, there being countless large schools in sight. This was when the seining fleet was mostly up off Barnegat and some were landing fares as far to the eastward as Newport. It is thought that it may be this body of fish which he saw to the southward that is now reported off New York by the netters.

Sold Frozen Herring to Boston.

Sch. Arabia, which arrived Wednesday with a fare of frozen herring, went to Boston with the cargo yesterday, the fare being sold to Boston parties to be put in the freezer.

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WEEKLY FISH MARKET.

While trade in all lines still continues dull, still it is about as good as the dealers and shippers look for at this season of the year. Stocks are light and the concerns are busily engaged in taking in fish to put in the butts. Some declination in prices of cured fish at first hands is noted, but the tone of the market at present is firm.

During the week four vessels have arrived from Bay of Islands, N. F., with fares of frozen herring, which have been put in the freezers at Rockport and Boston. These are the vessels which were frozen in there last winter and were unable to get out until the ice broke up about two weeks ago.

The first salt mackerel of the season, southern fish, have arrived, there being three small lots. The first lot sold at \$12 per barrel, but the last lot to arrive, 24 barrels, sold readily at \$15 per barrel. The southern mackerel fleet, returning to fit out for the Cape Shore, landed over 200 barrels of fresh mackerel here during the week.

Fish are in light receipt. The salt drifters found fish scarce on their first trips, but the fresh drifters of late have struck good fares. The shackers and salt bankers found no difficulty in securing bait around Canso and at the Magdalenes, but have been bothered about getting on the Cape North grounds to fish because of the ice, which, however, will probably move off in a few days.

The mackerel seining fleet now numbers 70 sail. Of these 60 will go or rather have gone to the Cape Shore, one of the largest fleets to go there for several years. The mackerel seining season out south was not a very successful one, the fleet landing 10,000 barrels against 18,000 barrels up to this time last year.

The receipts at this port for the week ending May 20 are
220,000 lbs. fresh cod.
59,000 lbs. hake.
151,000 lbs. haddock.
197,000 lbs. cusk.
25,000 lbs. salt cod.
11,000 lbs. pollock.
211 bbls. fresh mackerel.
28 bbls. salt mackerel.
3100 bbls. frozen herring.
145 bbls. salt herring.

Salt Fish from Vessel.

	Board of Trade Prices	Outside Sales
Large Georges cod (handline)	4.50	4.50
Medium Georges cod (handline)	3.75	3.75
Large Georges cod (trawl)	4.25	4.25
Medium Georges cod (trawl)	3.50	3.50
Large handline cod from deck caught east of Cape Sable		
Medium do.		
Large trawl bank cod	3.62 1-2	3.62 1-2
Medium trawl bank cod	3.37 1-2	3.37 1-2
Large dory handline cod		
Medium do.		

Fresh Fish from Vessel (To Split)

All large cod caught on La Have bank and to the westward	2.12 1-2	2.12 1-2
Medium do.	1.62 1-2	1.62 1-2
All large cod caught to the eastward of La Have Bank	1.87 1-2	1.87 1-2
Medium do.	1.50	1.50
Cusk	1.62 1-2	1.62 1-2
Eastern Haddock	1.00	1.00
Western Haddock	1.00	1.00
Eastern Hake	.85	.85
Western hake,	.85	.85
Pollock	.70	.70

Other Prices from Vessel.

Hake sounds, 5 cts. per lb.
Livers, soft 30 cts. per bucket; hard, 30 cts. per bucket.
Fresh Bank halibut (white) 7 cts. per lb.
Fresh Bank halibut (gray) 5 cts. per lb.
Georges halibut, 7 cts and 5 cts. per lb. for white and gray.

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Local Quotations of Cured Fish.

Cured Large Georges cod	\$6.75 per qtl.
Cured Medium Georges cod	5.75
Cured large Bank cod	5.75
Cured Medium Bank cod	4.75
Kench cured large Bank cod	7.50
Kench cured medium Bank cod	6.50
Cured large shore cod	6.50
Cured medium shore cod	5.25
Cured cusk	4.70 to 5.52
Cured hake	2.50
Cured haddock	3.75
Heavy salted pollock	2.50
English cured pollock	3.50

Mackerel.

Shore 1s	\$18	per bbl.
Shore extra 1s	20	per bbl.
Shore bloaters	30	per bbl.
Nova Scotias	13.50	per bbl.
Prince Edward Island	15	per bbl.
Norway bloaters	34	per bbl.
Norway 1s	30	per bbl.
Norway 2s	25	per bbl.
New Irish	14 to 15	per bbl.

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Boston.

Sch. Carrie F. Roberts, 3000 haddock, 10 0 cod.

Sch. Distant Shore, 3000 haddock, 1000 cusk.
Haddock, \$3.50; large cod \$2.50; market cod, \$2.50.

Fishing Facts and Fancies.

Sch. Lelia E. Norwood baited at Edgartown Thursday and sailed. Sch. Masconomo also sailed the same day.

Sch. Mildred Robinson arrived at Canso, N. S., on Wednesday.

Schs. Mildred Robinson, Eanny Prescott and Theodore Roosevelt sailed from Canso on Wednesday.

Sch. Kernwood was at Liverpool, N. S., on Tuesday.

Sch. Mildred Robinson passed north by Port Mulgrave Tuesday and schs. Massachusetts and Richard Wainwright passed south.

Fish Must Be Scarce.

A week ago tonight sch. Mary E. Cooney arrived here from a near-by fishing spot with 50,000 pounds of fresh codfish, a fine trip and quickly caught. Capt. Cooney hustled his fare out, secured a baiting and sailed again. This noon the craft arrived home with but 1000 pounds of fresh fish.

When Capt. Frank Cooney, with 14 single dories and as smart a crew as there is going, cannot "grub up" but 1000 pounds of fish in that time, either the weather must have been awful bad or the fish must have been scarcer than hen's teeth.

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WHALER FOR CRUISER.

Newfoundland Thus Hopes To Catch American Vessels.

Craft Will Be Commissioned as Temporary Cruiser.

A St. John's, N. F., despatch says that the Colonial government has chartered the whaler Neptune and commissioned her as a temporary cruiser to enforce the provisions of the foreign fishing vessels act against American fishermen. There are now fifteen whalers cruising around the coast, and it is expected that the inability of the Americans to distinguish which is the Neptune will render them liable to be captured.

Bait at Edgartown.

Sch. Masconomo baited at Edgartown Wednesday and sailed. Alewives are very plenty there, selling at 40 cents per hundred count.

Herring Will Go in Freezer.

Sch. Hattie M. Graham will be towed to Rockport tonight and put her cargo of frozen herring in the freezer.

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Capt. Bonia Baited All Right.

Capt. Joseph Bonia was at Sandy Point on Saturday. He baited with herring at Robinson's Head, and has sailed for the Banks. Capt. Bonia secured a license early in the season before the bait act was enforced, and, therefore, has an advantage over the rest of the fleet—Bay of Islands, N. F., Western Star.

WITH SALT HERRING.

Sch. Robin Hood Bound Home From Magdalene Island

A despatch from Capt. Stillman Malone of the sch. Robin Hood of this port, to the owners, Gardner & Parsons, states that the vessel sailed from the Magdalene Islands today, with a full cargo of salt herring.

Bait at Chatham.

George W. Crowell telegraphs the TIMES that there are plenty of squid in the traps at the head of Chatham Bay and that vessels can be baited quickly.

Raised Price of Hake.

At a meeting of the fisheries committee of the Board of Trade this forenoon, the price of fresh hake was advanced to 90 cents per hundred weight.